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MISSION BH Q-348

**FIRST IDENTIFIED SA-3 SITE
NORTH VIETNAM
20-56-40N 105-43-43E**

NATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHIC
INTERPRETATION CENTER

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FIRST IDENTIFIED SA-3 SITE
NORTH VIETNAM

1. SIGNIFICANCE: THIS IS THE FIRST IDENTIFICATION OF AN SA-3 SITE
IN NORTH VIETNAM.
2. LOCATION: 10.2 NM SOUTHWEST OF HANOI, AT 20-56-40N 105-43-43E
3. BACKGROUND: THE FIRST INDICATION OF SA-3 MISSILE EQUIPMENT IN
NORTH VIETNAM WAS THE IDENTIFICATION OF APPROXIMATELY
90 SA-3 MISSILE CANISTERS LOCATED IN THE DONG DANG
AREA ON [REDACTED] 25X1
THE CANISTERS WERE LOCATED IN OPEN STORAGE IN THE
VICINITY OF DONG DANG TRUCK PARK #2 [REDACTED] 25X1
21-54-50N 106-40-10E, 3.5 NM FROM THE CHINA/NORTH
VIETNAMESE BORDER. (SECRET [REDACTED] 25X1

4. REMARKS: SINCE THE FIRST SA-3 SITE WAS IDENTIFIED TWO
ADDITIONAL SITES HAVE BEEN REPORTED BY FIELD UNITS.
BOTH WERE IDENTIFIED ON PHOTOGRAPHY OF [REDACTED] 25X1
AND BOTH WERE SET UP IN SA-2 SITES IN THE HANOI AREA
-- SITES NVN 45 AND NVN 577. (SECRET [REDACTED] 25X1
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5. NEGATION DATE:

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6. FIRST IDENTIFICATION: THIS MISSION

7. MISSION READOUT: THE SA-3 SITE CONSISTED OF FOUR REVETTED, NET-CAMOUFLAGED LAUNCH POSITIONS, AN UNRETTED GUIDANCE AREA, AND AN UNRETTED ACQUISITION AREA. EACH OF THE FOUR LAUNCH POSITIONS CONTAINED ONE SA-3 LAUNCHER; ONE LAUNCHER HAD TWO SA-3 MISSILES, ONE LAUNCHER HAD TWO PROBABLE SA-3 MISSILES AND TWO LAUNCHERS EACH HAD TWO POSSIBLE SA-3 MISSILES. THE GUIDANCE AREA CONTAINED A LOW BLOW RADAR WITH A GUIDANCE/CONTROL VAN AND THREE ELECTRONICS SUPPORT VANS. THE ACQUISITION AREA CONTAINED ONE SPOON REST A RADAR. THREE CANVAS-COVERED SA-3 TRANSPORTERS AND ONE PROBABLE SA-3 TRANSPORTER WERE IN THE AREA.

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